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In Paragraph 7 of the addendum to the Notice of Allowance dated September 9, 2005, the Examiner stated that the prior art of record "discloses all the limitations of the . . . independent claims before they were amended." The Applicants wish to reiterate for the record that they disagree with this assertion. The Applicants respectfully submit that, for at least the reasons presented in the Applicants' Response dated April 7, 2005, the originally filed independent claims are patentable over the cited prior art references.

Notwithstanding the above, the claims of the present application were amended in order to expedite allowance of the present application. The Applicants reserve the right to further pursue the subject matter of the originally filed claims.

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